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11. (SBU) Poloff and Dutch Embassy counterpart delivered reftel demarche and Note Verbale requesting China's participation in the third Sherpa meeting scheduled for February in The Hague to prepare for the April Nuclear Security Summit to MFA Arms Control and Disarmament Department Nuclear Division Director Shen Jian on January 28. Shen said China would send a six-person delegation led by MFA Arms Control and Disarmament Department Director General Cheng Jingye. Shen noted the Dutch request to limit delegations to three persons, but requested an exception for China so that two officials with expertise in nuclear security issues from the Chinese Ministry of Environmental Protection could participate.